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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated May 13, 1998, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel Claims 2-6 and 16 without prejudice toward the further prosecution of these claims in a Continuation and/or Divisional Application.

Please amend the claims as follows:

In Claim 1, lines 9-13, please delete "substituted or unsubstituted C<sub>3-8</sub> alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C<sub>3-8</sub> alkenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C<sub>3-8</sub> alkynyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl group or a".